[Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi.]

(*b*) No recommendations were made by the Director but the following persons were selected by him for interview according to the request of the Selection Board.

1. Mr. A. K. Damodaran Pillai,
2. „ K. George,
3. „ K. J. Leenose,
4. Miss Paulose,
5. Mr. P. R. Viswanathan Nair,
6. „ N. Viswambharan,
7. Sry. Ammini Thampatti ; and
8. „ M. A. Thankamma.

(*c*) Ability and experience.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: May I know who made the final list of selection ?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: The Selection Board.

MR. K. A. MATHEW: May I know whether there are in the list, candidates with higher qualifications than those eliminated ?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: The Selection Board selected the pupil not merely for qualification but for various other reasons.

*Promotion of Teachers.*

320. *MR. THEROOR S. MUTHUKARUPPA PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) how many teachers of the Rs. 22-28 scale have been promoted to the Rs. 30-60 scale from the commencement of the year 1121 M. E. ;

(*b*) how many of them have been thus promoted in preference to their seniors in the Rs. 22-28 scale and the claims of how many such seniors have been thus overlooked ;

(*c*) why have they been thus promoted in preference to their seniors ; and

(*d*) if it were on account of exceptional efficiency, what was the test employed ?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: (*a*) 99.

(*b*) Two teachers have been promoted in preference to their seniors. In the case of one there were 360 persons senior to him and in the case of the other 29 persons.

(*c*) These two persons were promoted in consideration of their exceptional merits and efficiency.

(*d*) No special test was employed.

*Private School Teachers.*

321. *MR. K. G. KESAVAN NAIR: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of teachers who have been taken in the Government service as a result of the taking over of the private schools under Government control for the purpose of the introduction of the compulsory primary education ; and

(*b*) whether they can supply a statement by caste of the teachers thus taken in the Government service ?

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MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: (*a*) 366.

(*b*) A statement by caste of the teachers taken over from private schools is given below:

Statement by caste of the teachers taken from private schools, in the compulsory area.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | South India United Church | 154 |
| 2. | Jacobite | 1 |
| 3. | Roman Catholic | 3 |
| 4. | Latin Catholic | 2 |
| 5. | Hindu Vaniya | 3 |
| 6. | Sambavar (Salvation Army) | 19 |
| 7. | Anglican | 3 |
| 8. | Marthoma | 3 |
| 9. | Brahmin | 3 |
| 10. | Hindu Nair | 76 |
| 11. | Daivampady | 1 |
| 12. | Ezhava | 6 |
| 13. | Nadar | 40 |
| 14. | Sambavar (Hindu) | 11 |
| 15. | Maravar | 1 |
| 16. | Hindu Krishnanvaka | 1 |
| 17. | Hindu Pandaram | 1 |
| 18. | Hindu Chetty | 2 |
| 19. | Hindu Yadhava | 2 |
| 20. | Hindu Varier | 1 |
| 21. | Other Hindus | 1 |
| 22. | Muslim | 2 |
| | Total | 336 |

*Optional subjects in Fourth Form.*

322. *MR. K. A. MATHEW: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that by the sudden introduction of the system of optional subjects in Fourth Form in English Schools in the State this academic year considerable hardships and inconveniences are being caused to the schools, to the pupils and to the parents;

(*b*) what the opinion of the headmasters of the schools on the matter was;

(*c*) the reasons for hurriedly introducing it; and

(*d*) whether Education Reorganisation Committee had recommended the introduction of this optional system?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: (*a*) Yes; to some extent, which is inevitable with regard to all new Schemes in the initial stages.

(*b*) Some of them appear to have expressed the opinion that the scheme might be implemented next school-year.

(*c*) with a view to implement the recommendations of the Education Reforms Committee, which have been accepted by Government, as early as possible.

(*d*) Yes, the member is referred to the Education Re-organisation Committee Report, Chapter III, Section 5 (Page 40).

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